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Spring Clean-Up, food drive set for April 22

New textile recycling service debuts in 2017

THE COLONY, Texas — The City of The Colony and Republic Waste Services will be hosting the annual City-Wide Spring Clean-Up from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 22, in the parking lot of Hawaiian Falls Water Park, 4400 Paige Road. With proof of residency, residents of The Colony may bring trash and refuse, such as large tree limbs, furniture, appliances, lumber, remodeling debris, fencing materials and scrap metal for disposal.

Additionally, the following items also will be collected: small truck, car or SUV tires (up to eight total); batteries of all types; and various electronics. Enclosed box vans, trailers over 20 feet and/or contractors will not be allowed into the Spring Clean-Up. Additional limitations apply. **Call 972-624-3131 for more details**.

Other services available at the Clean-Up include removal of Freon from appliances and confidential document shredding. The Clean-Up site will not accept liquids or chemicals of any kind. However, residents can bring these items to our Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Center at 5576 North Colony Blvd. during regular collection days. Click here for more information about hazardous waste disposal.

Many residents are likely accustomed to donating gently-worn clothing to charity or simply throwing old clothes away but thanks to a partnership with <u>Simple Recycling</u>, new this year at the Spring Clean-Up will be the opportunity to drop-off textiles of all conditions for recycling, including clothing, shoes, linens, towels, coats, and jackets.

Residents will also have the opportunity to make a **donation to the Metro Relief food bank**.

Additional signage will alert drivers to the drop-off location for food donations, which will occur near the beginning of the line. Donations are **NOT** required to participate but are very much appreciated.

Entry to the Spring Clean-Up will be off of Memorial Drive using the east entrance to Hawaiian Falls. There will be no entry to the event off of Paige Road. Residents are encouraged to follow the signs and direction of city staff to expedite unloading. No one will be allowed into the line after noon. Because of safety concerns, persons under the age of 18 will not be allowed in the unloading area.